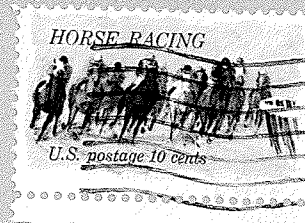


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2 Jailed for Taking Leary Manuscripts

Two persons suspected of stealing manuscripts of books written by jailed drug messiah Timothy Leary were arrested in San Francisco yesterday and now are in the custody of the Marin county sheriff's office on suspicion of burglary, possession of stolen property and extortion.

The two are Robin Viertel, 21, of Laguna Beach, and Charles Dewald, 36, of 1900 Jefferson street, San Francisco. Miss Viertel worked until three weeks ago as a secretary for Joanna Leary, the one-time Harvard professor's inamorata.

According to Marin sheriff's Lieutenant Robert Goddini and Mrs. Leary, the incident happened this way:

Mrs. Leary returned to her hilltop retreat above Mill Valley, after a three-day trip and found that two mink stoles, a stereo system, 40 tape cassettes, the manuscripts and more than 200 letters were missing.

She contacted authorities after Miss Viertel telephoned and offered to return the missing items for \$20,000.

The manuscripts, both handwritten, are "quite valuable," Mrs. Leary said. The books are entitled "Terra II" and "Neurologic," and she is negotiating with several publishers for their publication.

Mrs. Leary, coached by authorities, next agreed to meet Miss Viertel in a San Francisco motel to get the items back. Dewald and Miss Viertel were arrested there.

The manuscripts, written by Leary in Folsom Prison, were unharmed, Mrs. Leary said.

Although Mrs. Leary, a 28-year-old British subject, is still married to someone else, she changed her name to Leary last year "out of complete love" for the one-time Harvard professor.

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Gang Raids A Hughes Office

Los Angeles

Armed safecrackers operating with cool efficiency raided Howard Hughes' Hollywood office early yesterday, burning open two large safes, rifling personal files and escaping with about \$60,000 in cash.

The gang bound, gagged and blindfolded a security guard and spent nearly four hours in Hughes Productions, a two-story, warehouse-like building.

The complex of offices is devoted to the billionaire industrialist's motion picture interests and serves as a message and communication center for Hughes' personal affairs.

Yesterday's raid was the third time since the first of the year that a Hughes office has been robbed or burglarized, suggesting the possibility that the three incidents might be connected and part of a plan.

Police said Hughes representatives were not discussing what might have been in the personal files.

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Dear Timothy -

This all came down yesterday,
after I wrote you. We are
trying to get back files which
have been impounded as evidence.
They are in the Marin Cty.
Sheriff's Office Library! Weird
Synchronicity of the Hughes ~~off~~ theft.
Hope everything goes perfect
from here on.

Love,

Michael